Water Plan Update 2013: Land Use Caucus

RMS CHAPTER 24: LAND USE PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

SUMMARY OF KEY UPDATES



PRESENTED BY THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH

OPR and the Water Plan

- OPR serves the Governor and his Cabinet as staff for long-range planning and research, and constitutes the comprehensive state planning agency.
- OPR has traditionally helped update the Land Use RMS.
- OPR is involved in several Water Plan Update Committees and Caucuses. These include:
 - State Agency Steering Committee
 - Public Advisory Committee
 - Tribal Advisory Committee
 - Land Use Caucus
 - Flood Caucus
 - EJ/DAC Caucus

Abstract of RMS Chapter

Land use planning and management cuts across many resource management strategy chapters (RMS) of the California Water Plan Update 2013. This Chapter describes the co-benefits of a working relationship between land use planning and water management by demonstrating how sustainable land use decisions, in both urban and rural areas, can improve water supply and quality, increase flood protection, conserve vital natural habitat, lead to more efficient energy use, and produce land use benefits from improved water management.

Although many of these issues are discussed in greater detail in other RMS chapters, this section focuses on the impact that land use can have on them. This RMS is consistent with the State's goals for more compact sustainable development.

Updates Since the Previous Caucus

 Thanks so much to everyone who provided input and feedback on the draft.

- All edits have been reviewed and where possible they have incorporated or followed-up on.
- We encourage you to review the updated draft to make sure all of your comments were addressed in a satisfactory way.

Current Efforts

- Please send suggestions of any photos, tables, or boxes that you think should be included.
- Please help us update examples in document.
 - Example: "Increased coordination, particularly at a regional level, such as what occurred within the SANDAG region in 2003-2004 in conjunction with the San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA)..."
- Recommendations have been reworded and reordered to be more clear and concise.
- Use could/should for recommendations?

Recommendation Guidance

- 10: Tribal communities would like to see local government extend the required consultation of SB 18 to include compatibility issues with local land use planning and water supply and quality. This consultation would provide California Native American Tribes an opportunity to participate in local land use decisions at an early planning stage for the purpose of protecting or mitigating land use impacts to watersheds and floodplains of which Tribes have an interest.
- 14: State grant and funding decisions should recognize the unique challenges of promoting sustainable rural development.

Timeline and Next Steps

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